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The average daily circulation of the Barre Daily Times for the week ending Saturday was

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copies, the largest paid circulation of any daily paper in this section.

Quoth the Raven, "Nevermore."

These snow storms are costly luxuries; yesterday's cost Boston \$12,000.

"War to the knife" in the haters' strike. Never mind, summer is coming, when the hat may be discarded.

That automobiles go fast when started was indicated by those 350 machines that went up in a puff of smoke in Boston on Sunday.

If Lieut. Gen. Nelson A. Miles rode 90 miles in nine hours and ten minutes, he also is a good man. Let us hear from other good men.

It would be "hard sleddin'" for the Central Vermont railroad sometimes if it were not for the Montpelier & Wells River railroad and the generous nature of its officials.

The annual celebration of the birthday of Robert Burns by the club in this city which bears his name will be of more than the usual interest because the 25th of the present month will mark the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the poet's birth back in Ayr, Scotland. It is probable that, in common with other Scottish organizations throughout the world, the Barre Burns club will have especially fitting exercises on next Monday.

The hostility in New Jersey toward the automobile, which has been caused doubtless by the reckless invasions of many autoists from New York City, is breaking down. The farmers, who have been foremost in this hostility, at a recent meeting under the auspices of the state board of agriculture, petitioned the state legislature to remove the enactment which refused to recognize automobiles registered in another state. Thus does the automobile march on toward its complete intrenchment in popular favor.

Senator E. W. Gibson of Windham county is accused by his own constituents of "straddling" one of the issues as it has come into the Vermont Senate, it being the state fair appropriation of \$10,000, which appropriation was opposed, by nine-tenths of the senator's constituents, meaning undoubtedly Windham county. This on-the-fence attitude on the part of the Brattleboro senator was due to his fear that if he didn't "lay low" on that bill he wouldn't get through.

## CHILDREN WHO ARE SICKLY

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his bill to appropriate \$6,000 for the Brattleboro Retreat. If Senator Gibson be properly placed among the "straddlers," he may point to a numerous gathering of the same kind of legislators, not alone in our Vermont legislature, but in other state legislatures and even the national Congress. Much of our legislation is the result of barter between the members, the you-do-this-for-me and I'll-do-that-for-you spirit. Nevertheless, in spite of the prevalence of the practice, it is inimical to the best interests of the state or the nation, and it ought to be discontinued.

## WILLETT'S SPEECH BEYOND DECENTY.

The great state of New York ought to be ashamed of such a representative as Congressman Willett displayed himself to be in Congress yesterday. It was unfortunate that his mouth could not have been muzzled before it had emitted such venomous utterances as were made by him. But it was a stinging rebuke for him to be cut off in his speech and thus discredited by a large majority of his colleagues, even when these colleagues had but a few days before taken hostile action toward the very man that Willett was attacking. Such a rebuke from such a House and in such a state of mind toward the chief executive shows that the Willett speech was past all bounds of common decency. Happily, the most vile part of the speech was interdicted just as it was about to roll from the tongue of the New York spit-fire, and from that much we are spared. While it may get into a few of the newspapers of the country, it will not appear on the official Congressional Record. In his attempts to brush up the fire of enmity against the president, Willett made a consummate ass of himself. That is about the size of the situation. Liberty of speech toward any official is welcomed so long as it maintains its own self-respect.

## CURRENT COMMENT

Hears of Hays' Ambition.

An occasional patriotic article in the columns of our esteemed contemporary indicates that Lynn Hays' absent treatment is beginning to show results. The immortal Hays used to say that he was for "the old flag and an appropriation," but wanted the appropriation first. In this case the publishers have the patriotism, and Hays the appropriation. By the way, the Gazette understands that Lynn wants to be Vermont's superintendent of the census next year. Of which, more later.—Hardwick Gazette.

**State Fair Expense Account Wanted.**  
 Brattleboro is moved to envy and disappointment when it compares the showing of the Addison County Agricultural society for last year with its own located Valley fair figures. Since Colonel Halsey became the patron saint of the Middlebury fair, it has grown to mammoth proportions, almost rivaling the great Brattleboro exhibit in receipts, while its disbursements are less than half those of the latter. Last year the Addison association cleared \$2,116.54, while the Brattleboro fair ran behind \$1,254.54, and was about \$1,800 in the hole before. Too high purses and premiums and wasteful extravagance are assigned as the cause. The Brattleboro association suffers somewhat from other causes, perhaps. It holds its exhibit late in the fall and has to terrify or actively compete with other big fairs in its neighborhood, while the Addison affair is now the only big thing of the kind on that side of the state, and leads off early, having the field and the hour to itself. By the way, the state would like a report as to the finances of the state fair for the past two years.—Randolph Herald and News.

## The Right Idea.

The innkeepers' liquor license measure passed by the Senate is conceived in the right spirit whatever may be its fate in the House. Vermont will some day get around to living pretty much as the rest of the world lives, will drop some of its "peculiar people" exclusiveness, take a broader view of the philosophy of personal liberty, and find that it is more comfortable and more profitable to be thus neighborly with the rest of creation.

And that will not mean departure from a solitary ideal of true temperance but, on the contrary, a more practical and promising prospect of its ultimate attainment by the individual and the mass. There is comparatively little progress toward higher things where there is scant personal liberty to choose between those things and something lower, difficult as it may be for some of our well meaning friends to understand it. Progress begins with the development of a sense of personal responsibility for the moral results of such a personal choice, and where there is little choice because the state has laid down the hard and fast laws of prohibition, there is a weakening of personal responsibility that defeats all the good intentions of the framers of sumptuary laws.

Vermont must get into more sympathetic touch with the manner of living of her neighbors and visitors for business reasons, too, but they need not be considered first.—St. Albans Messenger.

## POST CARDS

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## STRAY PICKINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST

Probably the operators in the local central telephone office would consider it an affront if any bold person so much as hinted that their reason for seeking employment on the busy end of a bunch of conversation wires was to improve their chances of marriages.

Nevertheless, the results in the Barre office, at least, might cause this to become more than a suspicion, as no less than a half-dozen of the "hello" ladies have discarded their armor-like arrangement which they wear during working hours for the invisible but no less binding yoke of matrimony.

They started rather moderately about it, apparently waiting for one another, and none stepped off in January of last year. In February one was missing. In March another entered the state of double blessedness. Then there were no more vacancies until June, when two more took a chance on the matrimonial seas.

Not much more doing in the wedding line until September, when there was another change and another wedding trip became reality. Solids more credited to Cupid last year, but the sixth wedding inside the year limit took place last week.

Of course, a mere outsider cannot pretend to forecast the future, but indications tend to show that there will not be an appreciable falling off in the matrimonial ventures during the present year.

Those who saw that splendid theatrical production, "The Wolf," at the Barre opera house early in the present season will be glad to learn that the leading characters in the same production to be given to-morrow evening are taken by the same capable actors and actresses. "The Wolf" was one of the most striking plays given in Barre in a long time, rivaling "The Lion and the Mouse" in strength. At its previous appearance there was a small audience. There ought to be a better patronage to-morrow evening.

He was tall, lean and cadaverous looking, apparently a man who could do a day's work if he would. He drifted into a local office the other evening with his arms loaded with a package of bread and in contrast to that evidence of "bread enough and to spare," he wore a suppliant's expression on his face. Having sized up the person in the office as an "easy mark," apparently, he whipped out a little, dirty and besmudged begging card at the same time, keeping one hand encased in a glove and to all intents helpless, to back up the petition on the card. "Nothing doing," declared the man in the office.

Whereupon, the tramp drew his face down in a pained expression and emitted this bit of mild condemnation: "I hope to Gawd that yer Final Judge won't treat yer as yer have just treated me."

He was a tramp of experience.

By the way, Barre is getting the drift of Montpelier's ultra-kindness to the "gentlemen of the road." After a comfortable night's lodging in the sleeping quarters afforded on Berlin side by the city council of the neighboring municipality, the tramps come to this city to work a little panhandle business. If they are successful enough they spend ten cents and return to their "hotel" in Montpelier; and if not, they apply to the Barre police for shelter for the night. Some of the real "savvy" kind prefer to take their chances in the Barre police station rather than spend ten cents for car-fare to their "hotel" in Montpelier. The next thing we shall be doing will be to form a "soup line" for those vagrants, the most of whom are not objects for charity, but subjects for a little disciplinary treatment on the efficacy of muscular labor as a cure for what ails them.

## JINGLES AND JESTS

Grounds For Complaint.

"Any complaints, corporal?" said the Colonel, making one morning a personal inspection.  
 "Yes, sir. Taste that sir," said the corporal promptly.  
 The Colonel put the liquid to his lips.  
 "Why," he said, "that's the best soup I ever tasted!"  
 "Yes," said the corporal, "and the cook wants to call it coffee!"—San Francisco Argonaut.

Rural.

"Sody crackers? Yes'm," said the country storekeeper. "I got 'em. 'Til er-send 'em up to you!"  
 "Well," replied Mrs. Medders. "I did 'low to take 'em with me."  
 "Yes'm, but you see, Bill Bruser he's a-dozin' on top o' the bar'l jest now an' he ain't in the best o' humor to day."—Philadelphia Press.

Mistaken Identity.

A statesman in his nightgown came A-creeching down the stair. He trembled; nor was he to blame. For in the silence there Some one was lurking in the hall. When all was dark except The space o'er which, with glimmer small, The bull's-eye lantern swept.  
 "Stay where you are!" the statesman cried.  
 And then he turned on the gas;  
 "Don't shoot!" the visitor replied.  
 "Be generous! Let me pass!"  
 "Nay, nay," the startled sleeper said.  
 "Since you've intruded so,  
 The penalty be on your head,  
 No mercy will I show."

The ruffian shed a hopeless tear.  
 "It's mighty hard," said he,  
 "To find accommodations here  
 For burglars such as me."  
 "A burglar!" cried his captor. "Flee!  
 I shall not thwart your plan,  
 Excuse me. I took you to be  
 A secret service man!"  
 —Washington Star.

His Tragic Sense.

"Oh, William," said she, "it was perfectly lovely, but so sad. I think it was an awful shame to drown Ophelia and kill Hamlet. They ought to have married."  
 The cousin heaved a sigh, drew closer to his love, and said:  
 "I ain't grieved on tragedy, but I guess that's how I'd a fixed it."—Philadelphia Inquirer.

## Who Won the Wine?

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Montgomery Stout's business often keeps him late at his office, and at times when funds come in after bank hours he carries them home with him. A street car line passes within a few minutes' walk of his house, and in this distance lies the only danger. He carries a revolver, but what use is a weapon when one is dropped by a rap on the back of his head?

Stout was one of a younger set of men in his suburb who were together a great deal and constantly joking one another. He talked to them about his nocturnal trips home, his fear of footpads and what he hoped to accomplish in case of attack. One night when he was passing a dimly lighted place between the street car line and his house he was seized from behind by both arms, a hand was thrust in his pocket and \$500 in bills taken, together with his revolver, so that when the robbers ran away he had no weapon with which to pursue them.

On reaching his house he found several of his friends, whom he excitedly told of his adventure and his loss. They sympathized with him deeply, and while doing so two others of the set, Mark Hamlin and Ben Turner, walked in. Stout was somewhat surprised to find callers so late at night—it was 11 o'clock—but, after all, there was nothing remarkable in their visit. After listening to his account of the robbery and asking many questions, Mark Hamlin handed him the pocket-book of which he had been robbed and confessed himself the robber.

Then there was a general jollification. Stout brought out drinkables and cigars, and all agreed that a very amusing and practical joke had been played.

Some months after this Stout was again on his way home at night, this time with \$1,000 in his pocket that had come in late, when at the very same spot as before he heard the order: "Hands up!"

At the same time he felt the cold muzzle of a gun near his ear and hands relieving him of everything he possessed. Then the man with the gun said to him:

"You walk around the block before you go home and remember that you're watched. Any attempt to use a telephone for the next half hour will result in a hole in your head."

Now, the threat was lost on Mr. Stout, for he knew it had only been made as a bluff. The robbers would be unlikely to wait to see that he completed his walk. Besides, the voice that gave the order was very like that of Mark Hamlin.

"Just wait a bit, my fine fellow," thought Stout, "and we'll see whom the joke is on this time."

He was within a stone's throw of his house. Daring to it, he went in, got a revolver—the robbers had taken the one he carried—ran back on tiptoe to find them dividing the spoil under a gas light.

"Hands up!" he yelled in a stentorian voice.

There were but two men, and both raised their hands.

"Leave the things on the sidewalk," cried Stout, "and mind, no lowering of hands."

Stout said this to gain time to think. The men remained motionless.

"Now turn your backs and go on down the street."

The men hesitated, then after a word with each other did as they were told. Stout followed till he came to his property, picked up every article, then fired his revolver.

At the shot the robbers took to their heels, and Stout went home and to bed chuckling at the way he had got even with his practical joking friends.

The next morning he telephoned "the gang" that Hamlin would break a bottle of wine at noon at a popular restaurant, telephoning Hamlin also to be there. At half past 12 all had arrived except Hamlin, who came a few minutes later.

"My friends," said Stout, "this practical joking has gone far enough. I drove off two of you last night and recovered the property you had taken."

There was an explosion of laughter.

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## SPECIALS FOR THIS WEEK

We have odd lots from every department that must be sold while taking stock.

Belts, Ribbons, Laces, Neckwear, Gloves, Dress Goods, Percales, Towels, Table Linens, Napkins, etc.

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## Statement, January 1, 1909

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans,	\$865,858.74	Capital Stock,	\$75,000.00
Real Estate & Banking House	38,734.18	Surplus and Profits,	31,212.11
Bonds and Securities,	217,220.00	Dividend Jan. 1, 1909, 3 Per Cent.	2,250.00
Cash on hand and in Banks,	172,459.57	Extra Div. Jan. 1, 1909, 1 Per Cent.	750.00
		Deposits,	1,185,060.38
	\$1,294,272.49		\$1,294,272.49

## SAVINGS DEPARTMENT.

Money deposited in our Savings Department on or before January 13, 1909, will draw interest from January 1. Money deposited on or before the fifth business day of February, March, April, May or June will draw interest from the first day of that month at the rate of 4 Per Cent. Money deposited after the fifth business day of any month will draw interest from the first day of the following month. Interest is compounded semi-annually in January and July.

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Additional Liability, - - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - - 75,000.00
Surplus and Profits, exceeding - - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - - 31,000.00
		\$181,000.00
Resources, - - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - - \$1,300,000.00

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STATEMENT, - -		JANUARY 1, 1909.	
ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Loans, - - - - -	\$356,843.52	Capital Stock, - - - - -	\$100,000.00
U. S. Bonds, 2 <sup>per cent</sup> at par, - - - - -	190,000.00	Surplus and Profits, - - - - -	29,052.39
Redemption Fund, - - - - -	5,000.00	Dividend No 71, - - - - -	4,000.00
Other Bonds, - - - - -	230,402.27	Dividends Unpaid, - - - - -	90.00
Due from Banks, - - - - -	60,505.56	Circulation, - - - - -	98,596.50
Cash, - - - - -	73,016.49	Deposits, - - - - -	639,028.95
		U. S. Government Deposit, - - - - -	45,000.00
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